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## Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 23, line 18, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Such stable nitroxide free radical compounds can be prepared by known methods. (See, for example, U.S. Patent Numbers 3,163,677; 3,334,103; 3,372,182; 3,422,144; 3,494,930; 3,502,692; 3,873,564; 3,966,711; and 4,665,185; which are incorporated herein by reference.) They are suitable for use over a wide range of temperatures, but distillation temperatures employed with the ethylenically unsaturated monomers that are stabilized with the nitroxide free radical compounds typically range from about 60° C to about 180° C, preferably from about 70° C to about 165° C, and, more preferably, from about 80° C to about 150° C. Such distillations are generally performed at an absolute pressure in the range of about 10 to about 1,200 mm of Hg. Preferably, the distillation process occurs at pressures less than 760 mm Hg.